STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF WAKE

| INVENTION DE | VELOPER BOND |
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| We | | of | | |
| | | (address), | | |
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| | r "individual" or type of entity and, if applicable, state of incorporation of the Secretary of State of North Carolina to transact but | | | |
| PRINCIPAL, and | | , of | | |
| | | (address), | | |
| a corporation incom | porated under the laws of the State of | and duly | | |
| licensed to transact | t a surety business in the State of North Carolina, as S | URETY, are indebted | | |
| and bound to the S | tate of North Carolina for the benefit of any person w | ho, after entering into a | | |
| contract for invent | ion development services with the principal, is damag | ged by the principal's | | |
| fraud, dishonesty, | or failure to provide services in performance of the co | ntract, in the sum of | | |
| \$ | , for which payment we bind ourselves and | d our legal | | |
| representatives and | d successors jointly and severally. | | | |

The condition of this obligation is that the principal is desirous of doing business in the State of North Carolina as an "invention developer" as defined in North Carolina General Statutes § 66-209(5), and a bond is required by the provisions of the statute on the terms and conditions set forth therein.

The surety bond is intended to comply with the requirements of Chapter 66, Article 29, and in accordance with the provisions and requirements of those Acts, it is expressly provided that:

- (1) Any customer or person who has been injured by a violation of Article 29 of Chapter 66 of the North Carolina General Statutes by an invention developer, or by a false or fraudulent statement, representation, or omission of material fact by an invention developer, or by failure of an invention developer to make all disclosures required by the aforesaid Article may recover in a civil action against the invention developer court costs, attorney's fees, and the amount of actual damages sustained by the customer, which damages may be increased to an amount not to exceed three times the damages sustained.
- (2) The aggregate liability of the surety hereon shall be limited to the amount of this bond.

- (3) This bond shall be deemed continuous in form and shall remain in full force and effect unless terminated or cancelled in the manner hereinafter provided.
- (4) The State of North Carolina, acting through the Secretary of State, reserves the right at any time to terminate this bond, except as to any liability already incurred or accrued hereunder, by written notice of such termination to the surety delivered or mailed by certified or registered mail. On expiration of the period designated in such notice, which period shall be not less than 30 days from the time the notice was delivered or mailed, this bond shall terminate and be of no further force or effect, except as to any liability incurred or accrued prior to such termination.
- (5) Surety may cancel this bond and be relieved of further liability hereon by giving 60 days written notice delivered to the Secretary of State of North Carolina of the State of North Carolina at Post Office Box 29622, Raleigh, North Carolina 27626-0622, but such cancellation shall not affect any liability incurred or accrued hereunder prior to the termination of the notice period.
- (6) In the event principal and surety or either of them is served with notice of any action brought against the principal or surety under this bond, written notice of the filing of such action shall be immediately given by the principal or surety as each is served or notified, to the Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, Raleigh, North Carolina.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above-referenced parties have executed this instrument under their several seals, this the _____ day of _______, 20_____, the name and corporate seal of each corporate party being hereto affixed and these presents duly signed by its undersigned representative, pursuant to authority of its governing body.

| PRINCIPAL | | |
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| BY: TITLE: | | |
| SURETY | | |
| BY: | | |